

# Impact of India-Pakistan match in Britain: Clashes between Hindus and Muslims in Leicester

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The violence on Sunday started when a large group was already protesting when suddenly another group started protesting without a fixed program.

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Two people were arrested in East Leicester on Sunday after two groups clashed during unannounced protests, Leicester Police said in a statement.

A statement on Twitter said, "Two persons have been arrested. One person was arrested on suspicion of inciting violence and conspiracy to disturb law and order while the other person was arrested on suspicion of possession of a sharp object." Both of them are still in police custody."

Police and community leaders have appealed to people to remain calm and not share objectionable videos.

According to media reports, the clashes on Sunday were the latest in a series of clashes between the two groups after the Asia Cup cricket match between India and Pakistan on August 28.

Although the match was played in the United Arab Emirates, the bitterness between the two long-time rivals was evident in Leicester as well.

The area where the clashes took place on Sunday has several shops owned by Muslim businessmen and a Hindu temple is also nearby.

The police tried to prevent the two sects from clashing with each other. Meanwhile, one group raised slogans of "Jai Shri Ram" while the other group raised slogans of "Allahu Akbar" in response. Both groups blamed each other for starting the clashes.

# Security arrangements are tight

Earlier on Saturday, a rumour spread on social media that a mosque had been attacked. However, Leicester Police denied the rumour.

The police said in a statement, "We have seen reports on social media that a mosque has been attacked. After inspecting the scene, police officers said that this report is not true." Arrangements have been tightened. The police force has been increased in the affected areas.

"Violence and disorder will not be tolerated in our city. The protesters have been dispersed and the situation is now under control. The incident is under investigation," the police said in a tweet. Police have appealed to share only those reports and videos that have been verified and are correct."

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